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Final Fiscal Note

Drafting Number: LLS 22-0577 Date: September 14, 2022 **Prime Sponsors:** Rep. Valdez A.; Boesenecker Bill Status: Signed into Law Sen. Ginal; Fields Fiscal Analyst: Annie Scott | 303-866-5851 Annie.Scott@state.co.us **Bill Topic: CULTURALLY RELEVANT TRAINING HEALTH PROFESSIONALS** Summary of ☐ State Revenue □ TABOR Refund **Fiscal Impact:** □ Local Government ☐ State Transfer ☐ Statutory Public Entity The bill appropriates \$900,000 to the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment to provide grants for the creation of culturally responsive training for health care providers. It increases state expenditures in FY 2022-23 and FY 2023-34 only. **Appropriation** For FY 2022-23, the bill requires and includes an appropriation of \$900,000 to the **Summary:** Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment. **Fiscal Note** The fiscal note reflects the enacted bill. Status:

Table 1 State Fiscal Impacts Under HB 22-1267

		Budget Year FY 2022-23	Out Year FY 2023-24
Revenue		-	-
Expenditures	General Fund	\$900,000	-
Transfers		-	-
Other Budget Impacts	General Fund Reserve	\$135,000	-

Summary of Legislation

The bill requires the Office of Health Equity (OHE) in the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment (CDPHE) to create a grant program by January 1, 2023, to create culturally responsive training for health care providers. The OHE must contract with a third-party administrator that will issue grant applications for nonprofit entities and statewide associations of health care providers that wish to develop the training, and submit a list of qualified applicants to the Health Equity Commission (commission). The commission will then select the grant recipients.

The OHE will provide information about the training and the grant program to each regulatory board in the Division of Professions and Occupations (DPO) in the Department of Regulatory Agencies (DORA). The DPO is required to provide information about the training to health care providers at the time of issuance or renewal of a license, certificate, or registration.

The General Assembly is required to appropriate \$900,000 to the CDPHE in FY 2022-23 for the administration of the grant program. Any unexpended funding may be used by the CDPHE in subsequent fiscal years without further appropriation for the grant program.

State Expenditures

The bill increases state expenditures in the CDPHE by \$900,000 over FY 2022-23 and FY 2023-24 from the General Fund. Expenditures are shown in Table 2 and detailed below.

Table 2 Expenditures Under HB 22-1204

Cost Components		FY 2022-23	FY 2023-24
Department of Public Health and Environment			
Third-party Administrator		\$75,000	-
Grant Awards		-	\$785,000
Process and Outcomes Evaluator		-	\$40,000
	Total	\$75,000	\$825,000

¹ Centrally appropriated costs are not included in the bill's appropriation.

Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment. In FY 2022-23, the CDPHE will contract with a third-party administrator to manage the grant program. The fiscal note assumes that the CDPHE will utilize the remaining funds in FY 2023-24 to provide grant awards to the selected nonprofit entities and to contract with a process and outcomes evaluator to evaluate the efficacy of the training. To the extent that the funds allocated for grant awards and the process and outcomes evaluation are not expended in their entirety during FY 2023-24, these funds will be utilized for the same purpose in future fiscal years.

Department of Regulatory Agencies. Workload in the DPO will increase to notify health care providers of the training upon issuance or renewal of the provider's license, certificate, or registration. No change in appropriations is required.

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Other Budget Impacts

General Fund reserve. Under current law, an amount equal to 15 percent of General Fund appropriations must be set aside in the General Fund statutory reserve beginning in FY 2022-23. Based on this fiscal note, the bill is expected to increase the amount of General Fund held in reserve by \$135,000 in FY 2022-23, which will decrease the amount of General Fund available for other purposes.

Effective Date

The bill was signed into law by the Governor on June 8, 2022, and it took effect on August 9, 2022.

State Appropriations

In FY 2022-23, the bill requires and includes an appropriation of \$900,000 to the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment from the General Fund. Any unexpended funding may be spent in subsequent fiscal years without further appropriation.

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